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1. LAW OF SEA CONSULTATIONS --

UN UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL ZULETA BELIEVES THAT THE PARTICIPATION OF AMB RICHARDSON IN THE EVENSEN LOS CONSULTATIONS IN GENEVA WOULD HAVE AN IMPORTANT AND POSITIVE IMPACT AND THAT A NUMBER OF SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES WOULD DECIDE TO GO IF RICHARDSON ATTENDS. ZULETA THINKS THE MOOD AMONG MANY DELEGATIONS IS QUITE GOOD AND THERE IS A GENERAL FEELING THAT PROGRESS CAN NOW BE MADE. HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH ENGO (CAMEROON) DOES NOT PLAN TO ATTEND THE CONSULTATIONS HE IS NOT TRYING TO BLOCK THE GENEVA MEETING NOR DISCOURAGE OTHERS FROM ATTENDING. IN EFFECT, ENGO IS PROTECTING HIS POSITION IN CASE THE EVENSEN CONSULTATIONS DO NOT PRODUCE RESULTS WHILE LEAVING OPEN THE OPTION OF ASSOCIATING HIMSELF WITH ANY POSITIVE RESULTS, IN ZULETA'S VIEW. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 380)

2. ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION (ENMOD) CONVENTION --

SOVIETS ACCEPTED ALL US PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENT OF THE RUSSIAN TEXT OF THE ENMOD CONVENTION, AND USUN ACCEPTED SOME SOVIET PROPOSALS FOR MINOR CHANGES IN ENGLISH TEXT TO CORRESPOND TO PAST USAGE. FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS AMONG US, SOVIET
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AND UK MISOFFS AND SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS, AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT REACHED ON COORDINATION OF ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN TEXTS. SECRETARIAT IS WORKING ON IMPROVED TRANSLATIONS OF SOME ELEMENTS OF SPANISH AND FRENCH TEXTS, CHINESE TEXT STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION, AND EGYPTIANS REPORTEDLY SUBMITTED A FEW "TENTATIVE" COMMENTS ON ARABIC TEXT. SOVIET MISOFF TULINOV INDICATED CONTINUED SOVIET INTEREST IN US VIEWS ON LEVEL, TIMING AND SITE OF SIGNING OF CONVENTION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 378)

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3. MILITARY EXPENDITURE LIMITATION --

SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL ASKED WHETHER US INTENDED TO NOMINATE A BUDGETARY EXPERT FOR NEW STUDY OF MILITARY EXPENDITURE LIMITATION COMMISSIONED BY GA RES 31/87. HE SAID TENTATIVE PLANS ENVISAGE ONE-WEEK MEETING OF NEW EXPERTS GROUP BEGINNING MAY 31 AND TWO-WEEK SUBSTANTIVE SESSION "SOME TIME IN AUGUST" IN

GENEVA. INITIAL APPROACH IS BEING MADE TO ALL COUNTRIES THAT
PROVIDED EXPERTS FOR THE 1976 STUDY, AND IF ANY OF THOSE
DECLINE TO PARTICIPATE EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO FIND ANOTHER
COUNTRY FROM SAME REGIONAL GROUP. (USUN 377)

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